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SUBJECT: GDR HUMANITARIAN CASE: RUTH ENGEL/ERWIN KNOP

REF: (A) BERLIN 5068, (B) STATE 297476, (C) BERLIN 6947

1. DEPARTMENT INFORMED KNOP OF INFORMATION CONTAINED  
IN REF A. KNOP REPEATED THAT HE PREFERS THAT MARRIAGE  
TAKE PLACE IN THE US, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.

2. KNOP SAID HIS FINANCES WOULD BE SEVERELY STRAINED  
WERE HE REQUIRED TO GO TO THE GDR IN ORDER TO MARRY MISS  
ENGEL. HOWEVER, HE WOULD AGREE TO MARRIAGE IN THE GDR  
PROVIDED THAT MISS ENGEL HAD WRITTEN GUARANTEE FROM GDR  
AUTHORITIES STATING THAT SHE WOULD BE ALLOWED TO EMIGRATE  
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING MARRIAGE. DEPARTMENT NOTED THAT  
THERE MIGHT WELL BE A DELAY BETWEEN THE MARRIAGE AND THE  
ISSUANCE OF A GDR EXIT VISA AND KNOP SAID THAT, IN ANY  
CASE, HE WOULD WANT SOMETHING IN WRITING REGARDING THE  
DATE WHEN MISS ENGEL COULD EMIGRATE. THIS IS FOR EMBASSY'S  
INFORMATION AND SHOULD NOT BE PASSED TO MFA. KISSINGER

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